

MONTANA LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

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Did this bill originate in an interim committee? ____ Yes ____ No

Committee _____

Report _____

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3 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
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-End-

INTRODUCED BILL

H.B. 173

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE & COMMITTEE
SAFETY
45th Legislature

Bill No.	Subject Matter	Date In	Sponsor	Hearing Date	Committee Action	Date Out
HB 30	TO REVISE & CLARIFY THE LAWS RELATING TO VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION...	1/3/77	Bardanoue	1/11/77	DO PASS AS AMENDED	1/11/77
HB 52	TO PROVIDE IDENTIFICATION CARDS FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE.	1/3/77	Holmes	HEARD BY PROBLEMS OF THE ELDERLY SUBCOMM.	DO PASS AS AMENDED	2/22/77
HB 61	TO PROVIDE FREE TRANSPORTATION ON MUNICIPAL BUS LINES TO PERSONS 65 YRS. OF AGE AND OLDER.	1/3/77	Holmes	HEARD BY PROBLEMS OF THE ELDERLY SUBCOMM.	DO PASS AS AMENDED	2/22/77
HB 114	TO SHIFT CO. LIABILITY FOR PUB. ASSISTANCE GIVEN AS A RESULT OF RECIPIENT'S PARENT OR SPOUSE BEING INCARCERATED OR INVOLUNTARILY COMMITTED.	1/10/77	Brand	1/18/77	DO NOT PASS	2/22/77
HB 164	TO MAKE CONFIDENTIAL ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED FOR PURPOSES OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.	1/13/77	Harper	1/18/77	DO PASS AS AMENDED	1/18/77
HB 173	TO REPEAL ABORTION COUNSELORS AND COUNSELING SERVICES ACT.	1/14/77	Holmes	1/20/77	DO PASS	1/20/77

FILED
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January 20, 1977

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS:

A meeting of the House Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee was held on Thursday, January 20, 1977 at 3:30 p.m. in Room 431 of the State Capitol. All members were present with the exception of Rep. J. D. Lynch, who was excused.

The first bill to be heard was HOUSE BILL NO. ~~176~~ ¹⁷³ ~~176~~ ^{stet.}, sponsored by Chairman Menahan. Ben Johns, SRS, was supposed to appear in behalf of the bill, but failed to appear. Mr. Dean Zinnecker, Montana Association of Counties, then spoke in favor of the bill. The counties reimburse the state government 50% of the cost for administration and the federal government reimburses the state 75%, so the state gets a total of 125%. This is unfair to the taxpayer. This bill would reduce the cost of local government.

There were no opponents. The committee voted to DO NOT PASS HB 176, and hold the report in committee until Mr. Johns had a chance to testify.

HOUSE BILL ~~174~~ ¹⁷³ was then heard. The sponsor Rep. Holmes explained that she was attempting to undo what had been done four years ago. The terms of the act have proven to be unworkable. The same services are being provided, in a much more orderly fashion, by the Family Planning clinics. Another proponent was Dr. John Anderson, Dept. of Health. He stated that this bill was at the Agency's request. It is difficult to determine who is a qualified counselor. Ms. Dee Capp also spoke up in favor of the bill; see prepared statement. Mr. Philip Powers, Chief of the Bureau of Mental Health and the Dept. of Institutions, was also in favor of this bill.

There were no opponents to HOUSE BILL ~~174~~ ¹⁷³. The committee asked several questions, and then went into executive session. Rep. Palmer moved that HOUSE BILL ~~174~~ ¹⁷³ DO PASS. Motion was carried unanimously.

Rep. Palmer then moved to pass till Thursday, Jan. 27 the hearing on HOUSE BILL 184. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Wm. "RED" Menahan
Chairman-Rep. Wm. "Red" Menahan

Debbie J. Kovacs
Secretary

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

HOUSE BILL NO.	ENTERED COMM. 1977	DATE CONSIDERED 1977	OUT OF COMM. 1977	DO NOT DATE 1977	DO NOT PASS DATE 1977	DO PASS AS AMEND. DATE 1977	BE CON- CURRED IN DATE 1977	BE CONC. IN AS AMENDED DATE 1977	BE NOT CON- CURRED IN DATE 1977
30	Feb. 2	Feb. 24	Feb. 24				Feb. 24		
173	Jan. 29	Mar. 3	Mar. 3				Mar. 3		
174	(Mar. 9 (Feb. 11	Mar. 3	Mar. 10 Mar. 5			(Be Concurred In-3/5)	(Mar. 10--WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION) AMENDED		
176	Feb. 2	Mar. 5	Mar. 8				Mar. 8		
184	Feb. 17	Mar. 8	Mar. 8				Mar. 8		
219	Feb. 8 Mar. 10	Mar. 8	Mar. 8				Mar. 8 (AMENDED) Mar. 15 "		
227	Feb. 8	Mar. 10	Mar. 15				Mar. 15		
236	Feb. 8	Mar. 10	Mar. 17				Mar. 17 (AMENDED)		
286	Mar. 2	Mar. 29	Mar. 31				Mar. 31--WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AMENDED		
294 298	April 6 Feb. 16	----- Mar. 10	Apr. 6 Mar. 28	(to Local Govt.)			Mar. 28--WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION AMENDED		
300	Mar. 5	Mar. 19	Mar. 19				Mar. 19		
307	Mar. 2	Mar. 22	Mar. 22				Mar. 22		
318	Feb. 17	Mar. 22	Mar. 22				Mar. 28		
330 338	Feb. 10 Mar. 21	Mar. 12 Mar. 26	Mar. 17 Mar. 28				Mar. 17 (AMENDED) Mar. 28		
360	Mar. 2	Mar. 19	Mar. 25				Mar. 25 (AMENDED)		
408	Feb. 17	Mar. 17	Mar. 17				Mar. 17		

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

March 3, 1977

The twenty-first meeting of the Public Health, Welfare and Safety Committee was called to order in Room 405 of the State Capitol Building by Chairman Stan Stephens on Thursday, March 3rd, 1977, at approximately 11:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL: All members were present.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL 173: Chairman Stephens turned the meeting over to Representative Polly Holmes, who presented her bill to the Committee by saying she came before them to undo something she supported in earlier sessions. At that time, she said, they were worried about the abortion problem. Now, however, it is the feeling of those working in the area that the law is not needed. Family counselors are doing an excellent job, as are pastors in the churches and other community resources.

Dr. John Anderson, Department of Health and Environmental Services, testified next, recalling for the Committee the section in SB355 (Family Planning bill) which dealt with "approved counselors" -- and the problem with that term. Anderson said that when his people got into the counselor approval, there were a variety of persons who were counselors of one form or another (examples of counselors given). Dr. Anderson said the idea of approved counselors is a fine idea, but not on a basis of "absolute" approval.

Dee Capp, also from the Department of Health and Environmental Services, testified in support of the bill and in support of the statements made by Dr. Anderson.

There were no opponents to this bill.

One question from Senator Lee, which made it clear to the Committee that the repeal proposed dealt only with abortion counseling, concluded the hearing.

ACTION ON HOUSE BILL 173: Senator Roberts made a motion HB173 BE CONCURRED IN - motion carried unanimously. A Committee member will carry this bill on Senate floor for the sponsor.

ROLL CALL

VOTE

SENATE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY

45th LEGISLATIVE SESSION - 1977.

Date 3-2-77 Bill No. 173 Time _____

NAME S:	YES	NO
LEE, Robert	✓	LEE
RASMUSSEN, Tom	✓	RASMUSSEN
OLSON, Stuart	✓	OLSON
HIMSL, Matt	✓	HIMSL
WATT, Robert	✓	WATT
ROBERTS, Joe	✓	ROBERTS
NORMAN, Bill - V. Chm.	✓	NORMAN
STEPHENS, Stan - Chairman	✓	STEPHENS

Joyce (Kelly) Allen
Secretary

STAN STEPHENS
Chairman

Motion: _____

Roberts moved, he concurred in

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

MARCH 3

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MR. **PRESIDENT**

We, your committee on **PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY**

having had under consideration **HOUSE BILL** Bill No. **173**

Respectfully report as follows: That **HOUSE BILL** Bill No. **173**

BE CONCURRED IN

~~DO NOT~~

P.L.

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

45th LEGISLATIVE SESSION - 1977

DATE:

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DATE April 11COMMITTEE ON Senate Public HealthBILL NO. 174 113

VISITOR'S REGISTER

NAME	REPRESENTING	Check One	
		Support	Oppose
John	Conrad Nat'l Bank		
Ralph Fleher	Self - (non smoker)	✓	
Walter	Shelton's of Helena		✓
Frank H Bishop	Shelton's of Helena		✓
James	Chenier's (Helena)		✓
F.B. (go) 1999	Wally's Cafe, Harlem		✓
Ralph A. Halin	Haffman Helena		✓
John J. Solon	Oakland Cigar Co.		✓
Robert W Moon	MT Dep't of Health	✓	
John	MT Conference of S.D.		
Leonard Butes	Mont. Soc. for Resp. Therapy	✓	
Ruben Rutz	Self (non smoker)	✓	
Laureen France	Coin Machine Operators Assoc.		✓
Tom Maddox	Tohaco-Candy Distributors Assn		✓
Robert A. Ellert	Myself	✓	
Ronald P. Richard	Montana Medical Assn	✓	
Linda Sandman	Nat. women's Political Caucus	✓	
Frank H Bishop	Shelton's of Helena		✓
Linda Hays	Self. non smoker	✓	
Barbara Ferris	MT Dept Health	✓	

TESTIFYING

NAME:

REPRESENTING:

ON BILL #

SUPPORT,
OPPOSE OR
AMEND?

(Please leave any prepared statement with Secretary)

Blanche Rutz	Myself & friends	HB 174	Support
John B. Bingham	Holiday Inn	HB 174	oppose
David F. Finner	Harbison		
Paul R. Erb	Howard's Pizzeria Inc St Falls Restaurant Ass	HB 174	oppose
John B. French	French's Adw Sunnyvale, NY	HB 174	oppose
Sam S. Jordan	Colonel's Rest Bazerman Int.	HB 174	oppose
MILT Vandeventer	D & R Vending	HB 174	oppose
J. W. Larson	Jorgensen's Holiday	HB 174	Oppose
Gene Phillips	Outlaw Inn	HB 174	Oppose
Ralph Filcher	Myself	HB 174	For
Robert N. Moaw	SELF	HB-174	SUPPORT
Del Cyp	St Dept of Health	HB-173	Support
Phil Stroger	Mont Sunkysus Ass	HB 174	Oppose
Gary Kautbach	Colonial Arms	HB 174	Oppose
W. H. L. L. L.	Linn's Super Market East Ave.	HB 174	oppose

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